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09/850.166	05/08/2001	Peter Martin Pozniak	6199.0028-01	1481

TITLE OF INVENTION: PRECISION LIQUID MIXING APPARATUS AND METHOD

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION PEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
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Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 208 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 208 day(s).

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Effective October 1, 2003, 37 CFR 1.18 is amended by revising paragraphs (a) through (c) to read as set forth below.

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